THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE N.V. RAMANA

Writ Petition No.7731 of 2007

Dated: 16.4.2007

Between:

S.Kiran Kumar.

.... PETITIONER

AND

The Northern Power Distribution Company of A.P.Ltd.,
Rep by its Chairman & Managing Director,
Corporate Office at Warangal and 2 others.

.....RESPONDENTS

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Order:

This writ petition is filed seeking a writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents in not issuing the call letter to the petitioner for the selection process to the post of Junior Lineman on contract basis in the respondents Corporation to be held on 16.4.2007 to 18.4.2007 as arbitrary, illegal and contrary to law and consequently to direct the respondents to consider the case of the petitioner for the said post by permitting him to participate in the selection process.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner as well as the learned standing counsel for the respondent Corporation and at their request the matter is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.

The petitioner belongs to B.C. community and has completed ITI Electrician Course. It is stated that he has completed apprenticeship in the respondent Corporation. His grievance is that though he has applied to the post of Junior Lineman (on contract basis) pursuant to the notification issued by the respondent Corporation on 4.11.2006, he has not received any call letter to participate in the selection process to be held on 16.4.2007, 17.4.2007 and 18.4.2007. He also submits that as per the clarification Memo dated 15.3.2007, preference has to be given to those persons who are working as contract labour in sub-stations and since he is also working as contract labourer in the respondent Corporation, he is entitled to be considered for appointment to the post of Junior Lineman in the first

phase itself.

Learned standing counsel for the respondent Corporation fairly submits that if the petitioner has applied to the post pursuant to the notification issued by the respondent Company, the respondents will consider the case of the petitioner in accordance with law.

In the circumstances, without going into the merits of the case, the writ petition is disposed of directing the respondents to consider the case of the petitioner for the post of Junior Lineman in the interviews to be held on 16.4.2007, 17.4.2007 and 18.4.2007, if he has applied for the same pursuant to the notification issued on 4.11.2006 subject to his fulfilling all other requirements in accordance with law. No costs.

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N.V. RAMANA, J.

Date: 16.04.2007

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